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S E C R E T TEHRAN 6485

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: VIETNAMESE MISSION IN ADDIS ABABA

1. ACTING FONMIN ZELLI CALLED ME TO HIS OFFICE MORNING JULY 21
TO INFORM ME OF REPORT HE HAS RECEIVED FROM ADDIS ABABA TO EFFECT
THAT A VIETNAMESE MISSION HEADED BY "TOP PARTY MEMBER" DOAN TRAN
CANH IS CURRENTLY IN ADDIS. ZELLI SPECULATED THAT PURPOSE OF
MISSION MAY BE TO ARRANGE DELIVERY OF SPARES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT
FOR ETHIOPIA'S MILITARY ARSENAL OF US ORIGIN. ALTERNATIVELY,
PURPOSE COULD BE TO ARRANGE TRAINING AND ENCADREMENT OF ETHIOPIAN
UNITS USING SOVIET EQUIPMENT.

2. IN PRESENTING THIS INFORMATION ZELLI RECALLED PARALLEL
CIRCUMSTANCE OF VISIT BY VIETNAMESE GEN GIAP TO ALGERIA TWENTY YEARS
AGO AND THE EFFECT WHICH THAT VISIT HAD UPON EFFECTIVENESS OF FLN
FORCES THERE. ZELLI ASKED FOR US CORRPBORATION OF DOAN VISIT AND
OUR ASSESSMENT OF ITS SIGNIFICANCE.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE PROVIDE SOONEST US VIEWS ON DOAN VISIT.

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